

# Ezekiel 36–39

## The Middle East Meltdown 2022



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## Ezekiel 33–48

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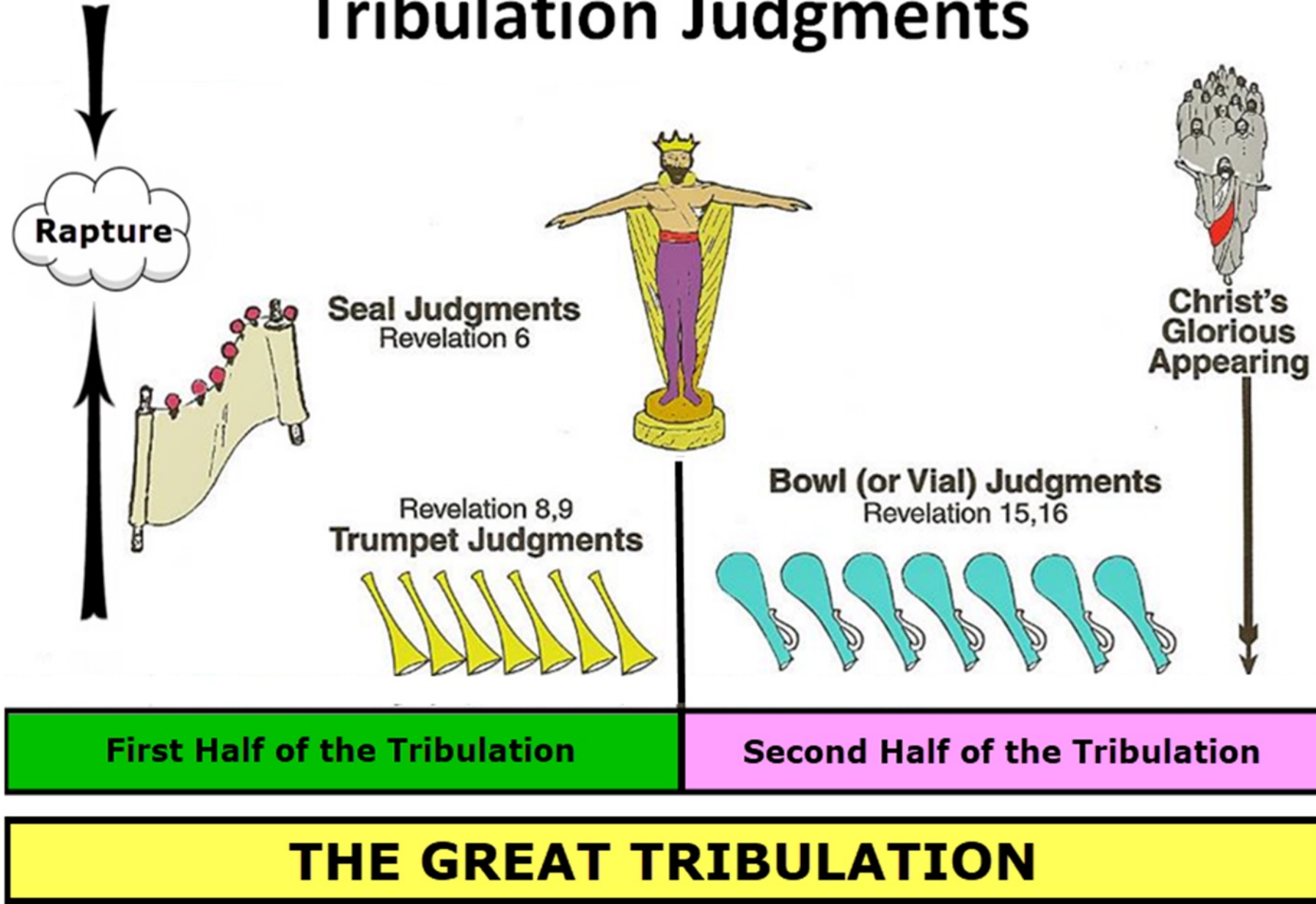
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# Tribulation Judgments



## 1<sup>st</sup> Six Seals (Revelation 6)

**SEAL 1** – 6:1-2 – Advent of antichrist

**SEAL 2** – 6:3-4 – War

**SEAL 3** – 6:5-6 – Famine

**SEAL 4** – 6:7-8 – Death

**SEAL 5** – 6:9-11 – Martyrdoms

**SEAL 6** – 6:12-17 – Cosmic disturbances





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# Ezekiel 38–39

- I. Invasion planned (38:1-13)
- II. Invasion executed (38:14-16)
- III. Invasion defeated (38:17–39:20)
- IV. Invasion's results (39:21-29)





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# Promised Exemption from Divine Wrath

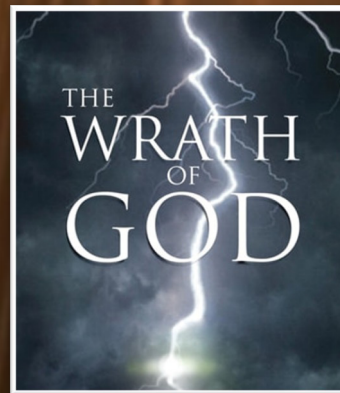
- The promise (1 Thess 1:10; 5:9; Rom 5:9; 8:1; Rev 3:10)
- Tribulation = divine wrath/anger (Rev 6:16-17; 11:18; 14:10; 15:1, 7; 16:1, 19; 19:15)



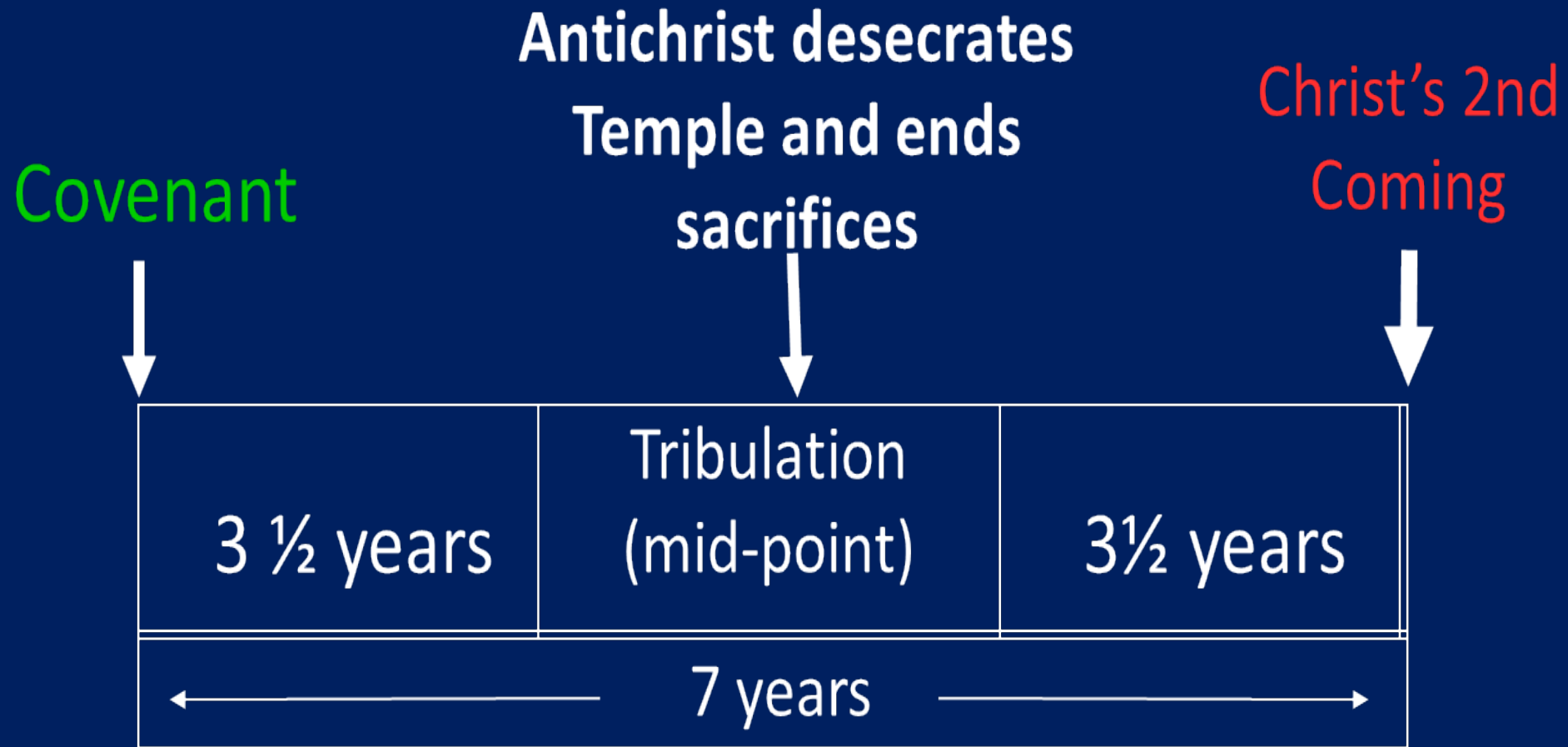
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## 2 Thessalonians 2:6-7

<sup>6</sup>And you know what restrains [*katechon; neuter*] him now, so that in his time he will be revealed. <sup>7</sup>For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only he who now restrains [*katechōn; masculine*] will do so until he is taken out of the way.





# 3 Reasons Why the Restrainer is the Holy Spirit

(2 Thessalonians 2:6-7)

1. The Holy Spirit is omnipotent
2. The Holy Spirit view handles well the switch in gender from the neuter (vs. 6) to the masculine (vs. 7)
3. The Holy Spirit is active in the world (Gen. 6:3; John 16:7-11)



# Restrainer Must First be Removed

- Restrainer holds back the Antichrist (2 Thess 2:6-7)
- Restrainer = the omnipotent Holy Spirit (2 Thess 2:9)
- Holy Spirit permanently indwells all Christians (John 14:16; Rom 8:9)
- Spirit indwelt Christians must first be removed prior to the Antichrist's advent



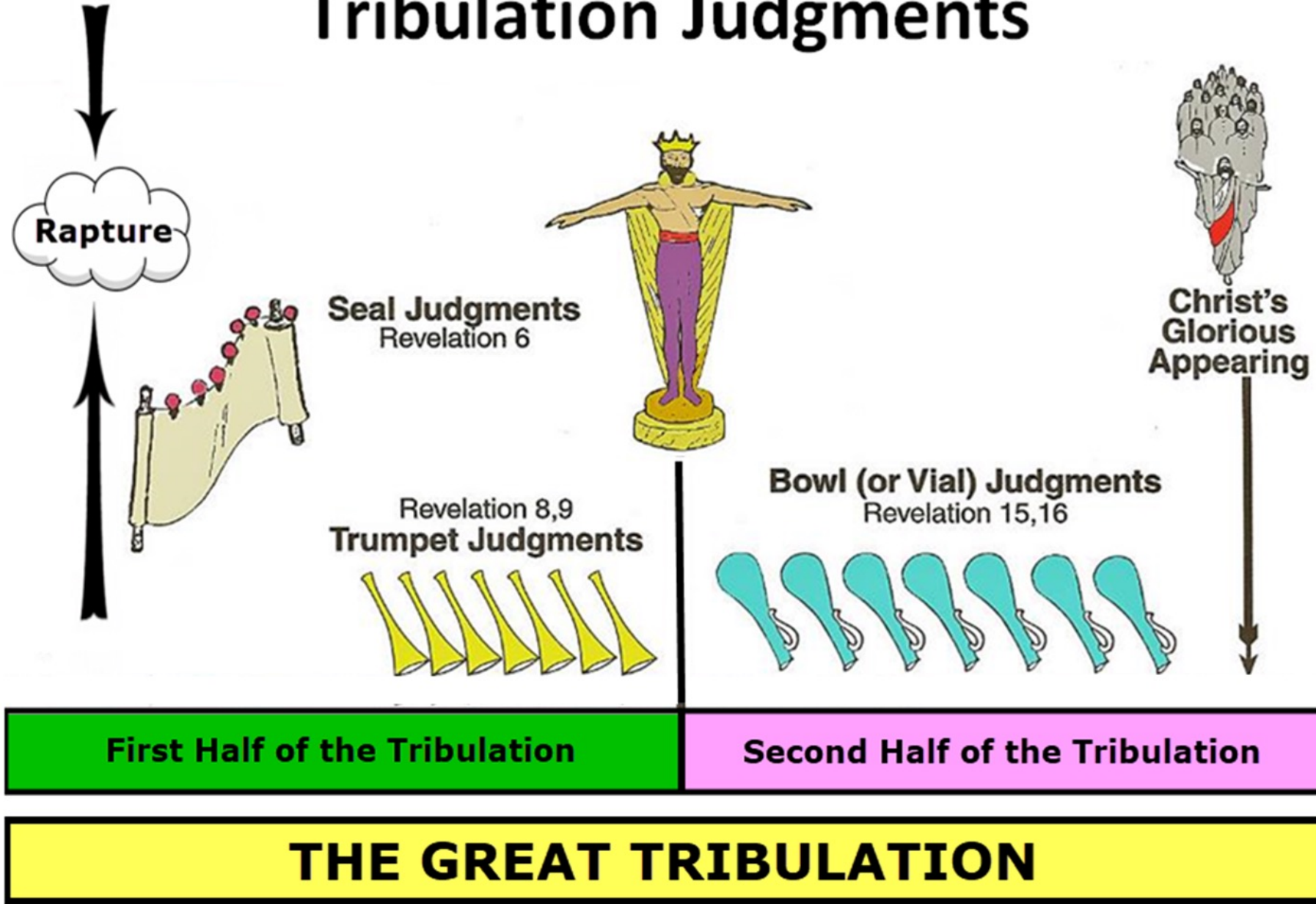


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# Seven Bowls

(Revelation 16)

1. 1<sup>st</sup> Bowl (16:1-2) – Boils
2. 2<sup>nd</sup> Bowl (16:3) – Sea becomes blood
3. 3<sup>rd</sup> Bowl (16:4-7) – Freshwater destroyed
4. 4th Bowl (16:8-9) – Sun scorches man
5. 5th Bowl (16:10-11) – Darkness
6. **6th Bowl (16:12-16) – Euphrates dried**
7. 7th Bowl (16:17-21) – Greatest earthquake

# Literal Geography in Revelation

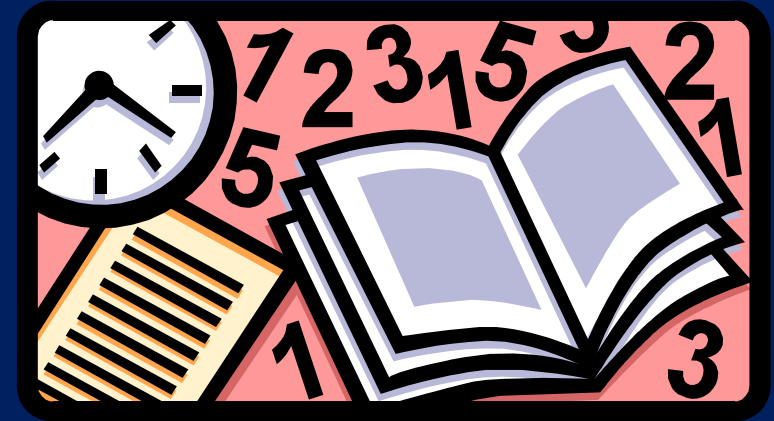
<b>Asia</b>	1:4	<b>Philadelphia</b>	3:7
<b>Patmos</b>	1:9	<b>Laodicea</b>	3:14
<b>Ephesus</b>	2:1	<b>Euphrates</b>	9:14;16:12
<b>Smyrna</b>	2:8	<b>Jerusalem</b>	11:8
<b>Pergamum</b>	2:12	<b><u>Armageddon</u></b>	<b><u>16:16</u></b>
<b>Thyatira</b>	2:18	<b>Jerusalem</b>	20:9
<b>Sardis</b>	3:1	<b>New Jerusalem</b>	21:2

# Armageddon?

<b>Ezek 38-39</b>	<b>Armageddon</b>
<b>No battle (38:20-23)</b>	<b>Battle between armies and Lord (Rev. 19:19)</b>
<b>Invaders come from the far west and north (38:5)</b>	<b>All nations invade (Rev. 16:14; Zech. 12:3)</b>
<b>Enemies destroyed on Israel's mountains (39:2-4)</b>	<b>Events take place in Jerusalem (Zech. 12:2; 14:2; and the Valley of Jehoshaphat (Joel 3:12)</b>
<b>Israel dwelling in safety (38:11)</b>	<b>Israel not dwelling in safety (Rev. 12:14-17)</b>
<b>No massive blood flow recorded</b>	<b>Massive flow of blood (Rev. 14:20)</b>
<b>Fire comes upon invaders (39:6)</b>	<b>Fire does not come upon invaders</b>

# When?

- Beginning of the Millennium
- End of the Millennium
- End of the Tribulation
- Before the Tribulation
- First half of the Tribulation
- Two phase view





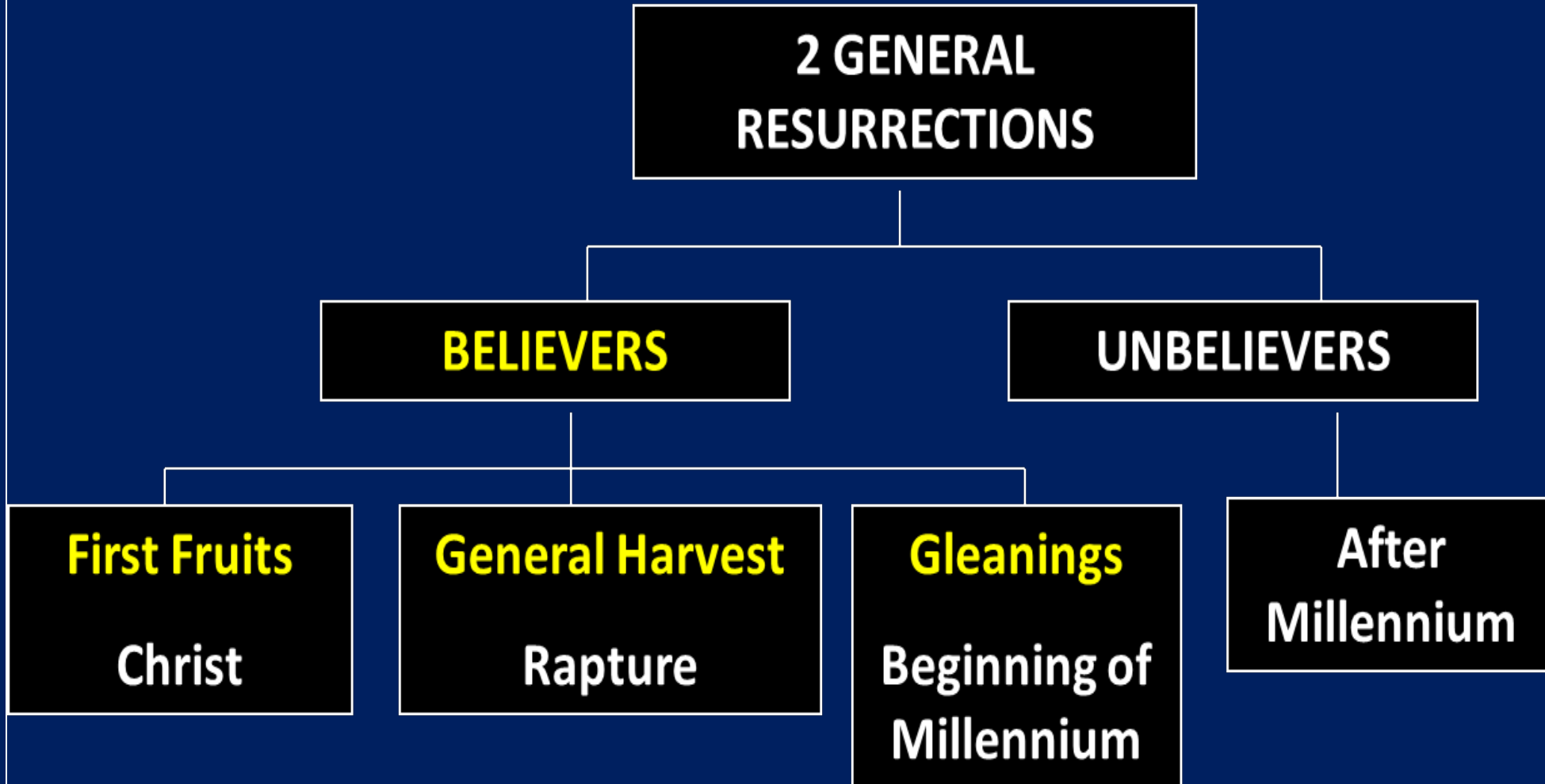


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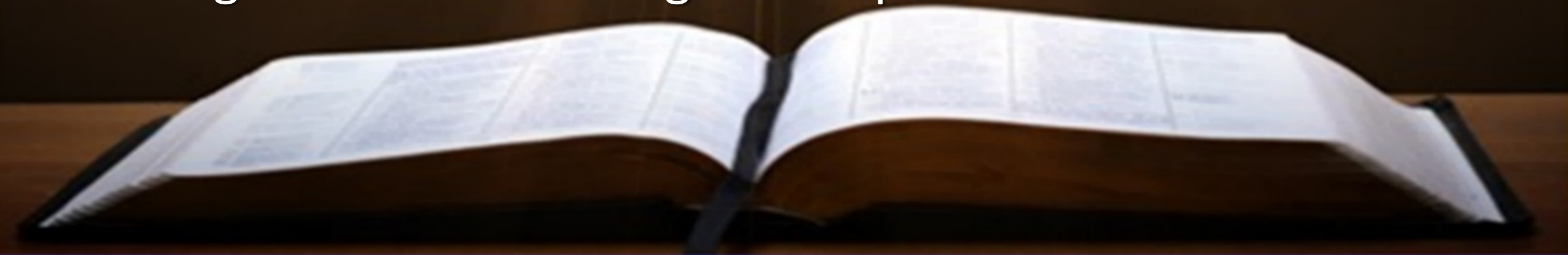
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# God's Resurrection Program



## Daniel 12:1-2

“<sup>1</sup> Now at that time Michael, the great prince who stands guard over the sons of your people, will arise. **And there will be a time of distress such as never occurred since there was a nation until that time; and at that time your people**, everyone who is found written in the book, will be rescued. <sup>2</sup> **Many of those who sleep in the dust of the ground will awake, these to everlasting life**, but the others to disgrace and everlasting contempt.”



## Revelation 20:4-6

“<sup>4</sup> Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them. And I *saw* the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received the mark on their forehead and on their hand; and **they came to life [zaō]** and **reigned with Christ** for a thousand years. <sup>5</sup> The rest of the dead **did not come to life [zaō]** until the . . .



## Revelation 20:4-6

. . . thousand years were completed. This is the **first resurrection [anastasis]**.<sup>6</sup> Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the **first resurrection [anastasis]**; over these the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years.”

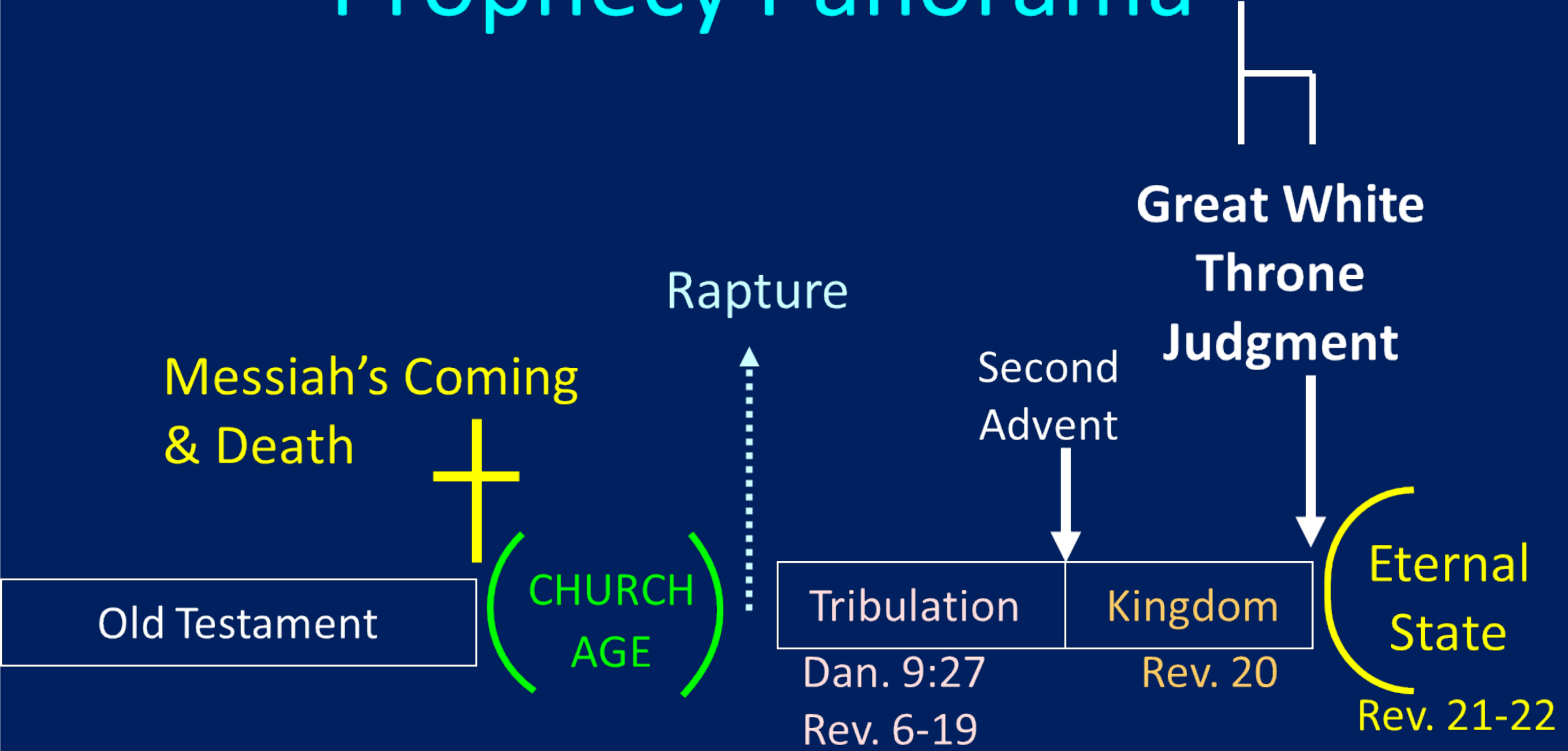


# 1 Corinthians 15:50-51

“<sup>50</sup> Now I say this, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. <sup>51</sup> Behold, I tell you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed.”



# Prophecy Panorama



<b>Millennium Rev.20</b>	<b>Eternal State Rev.21-22</b>
<b>Sin restrained</b>	<b>Sin removed</b>
<b>Curse restrained</b>	<b>Curse removed</b>
<b>Death</b>	<b>No death</b>
<b>Mortals / resurrected</b>	<b>Resurrected only</b>
<b>Mortals Destinies undecided</b>	<b>All Destinies sealed</b>
<b>Renovation</b>	<b>Recreation</b>
<b>Temporary</b>	<b>Eternal</b>
<b>Transitional</b>	<b>Non-transitional</b>
<b>Dispensation</b>	<b>Not a dispensation</b>



# Millennium and Eternal State

	<b>Rev 20:1-10</b>	<b>Rev 21–22</b>
<b>Time</b>	<b>20:4</b>	<b>22:5</b>
<b>Luminaries</b>	<b>Isa 30:26</b>	<b>21:23; 22:5</b>
<b>Temple</b>	<b>Ezek 40–48</b>	<b>21:22</b>
<b>Death</b>	<b>Isa 65:20</b>	<b>21:4</b>
<b>Satanic activity</b>	<b>20:7</b>	<b>20:10</b>
<b>Rebellion</b>	<b>20:8-9</b>	<b>21:27</b>

## Deuteronomy 29:29

“The secret things belong to the Lord our God, but the things revealed belong to us and to our sons forever, that we may observe all the words of this law.”





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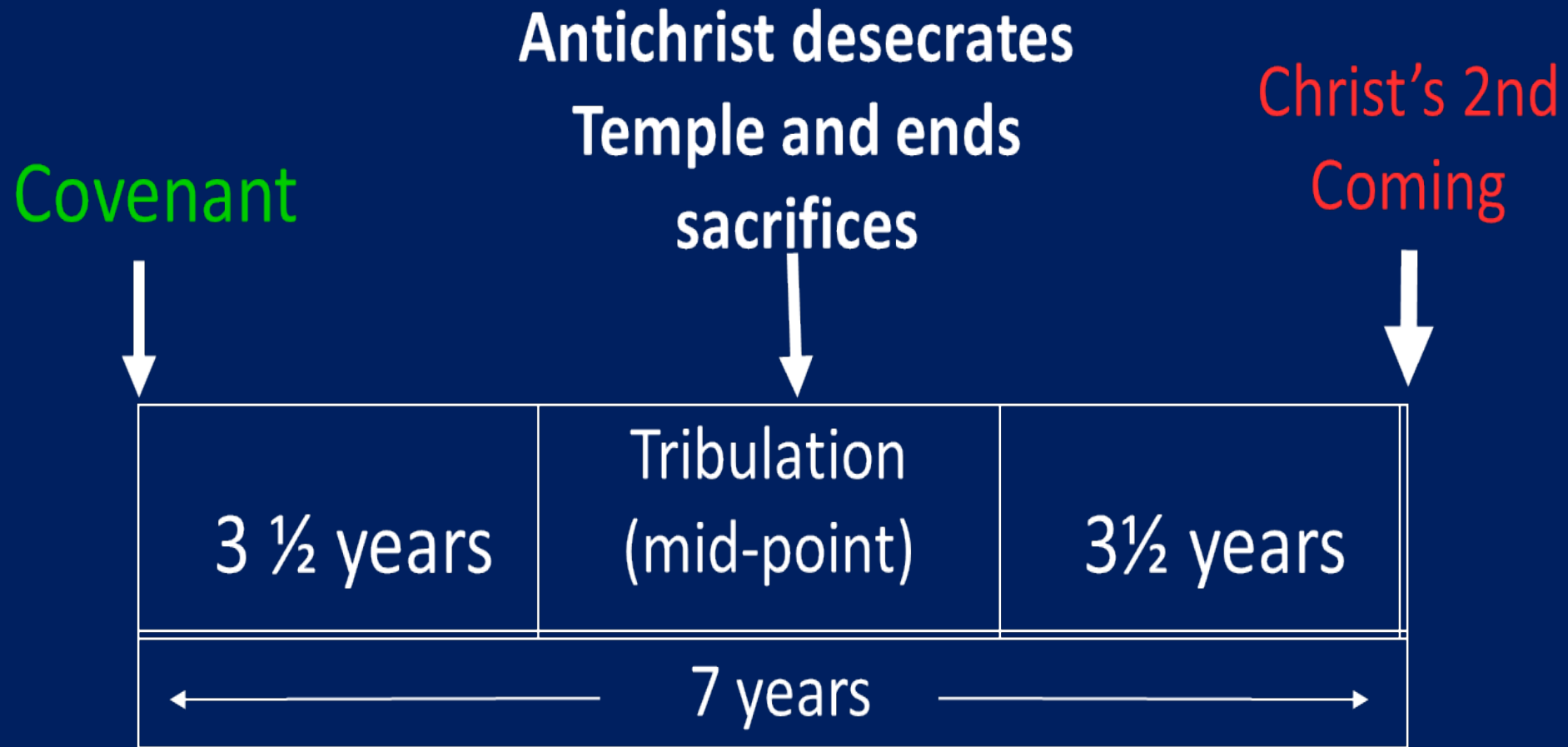
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## Daniel 9:27

And he will make a firm covenant with the many for one week, but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of abominations *will come* one who makes desolate, even until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, is poured out on the one who makes desolate.

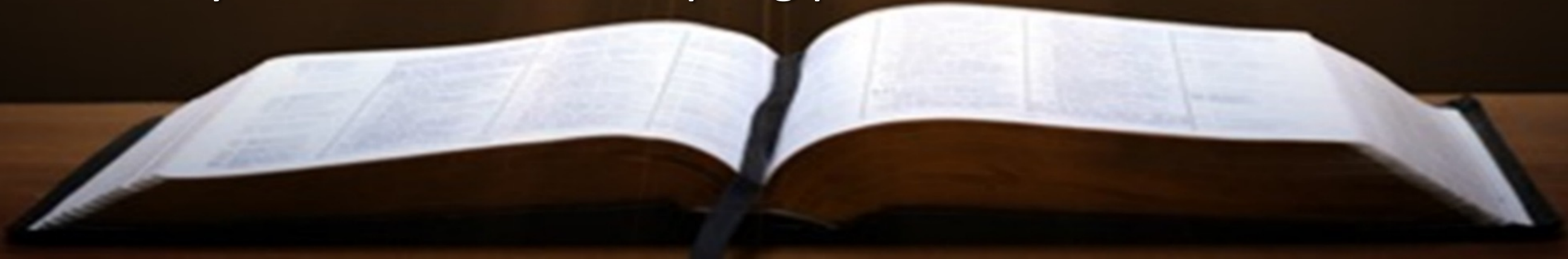


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## Isaiah 28:15, 18

“<sup>15</sup> Because you have said, ‘We have made a covenant with death, And with Sheol we have made a pact. The overwhelming scourge will not reach us when it passes by, For we have made falsehood our refuge and we have concealed ourselves with deception.’...<sup>18</sup> Your covenant with death will be canceled, And your pact with Sheol will not stand; When the overwhelming scourge passes through, Then you become its trampling place.”



## John 5:43

“I have come in My Father’s name, and you do not receive Me; if another comes in his own name, you will receive him.”



# HANUKKAH

- The Maccabean revolt
- December 25<sup>th</sup> 164 BC, the temple is liberated and rededicated
- 1 & 2 Maccabees
- The miracle of the lamp oil
- Hanukkah “Feast of Dedication” (festival of lights).
- Christmas / Jewish Holiday
- John 10:22-24





# Levitical Feasts (Lev. 23)

<b>Feast</b>	<b>Season</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Type</b>
<b>Passover</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Redemption</b>	<b>1 Cor. 5:7</b>
<b>Unleavened Bread</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Separation</b>	<b>John 6:35</b>
<b>1st fruits</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Praise</b>	<b>1 Cor. 15:20</b>
<b>Pentecost</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Praise</b>	<b>Acts 2:1-4</b>
<b>Trumpets</b>	<b>Fall</b>	<b>New Year</b>	<b>Matt. 24:31</b>
<b>Atonement</b>	<b>Fall</b>	<b>Lev 16</b>	<b>Zech. 12:10</b>
<b>Booths</b>	<b>Fall</b>	<b>Wilderness provision</b>	<b>Zech. 14:16-18</b>

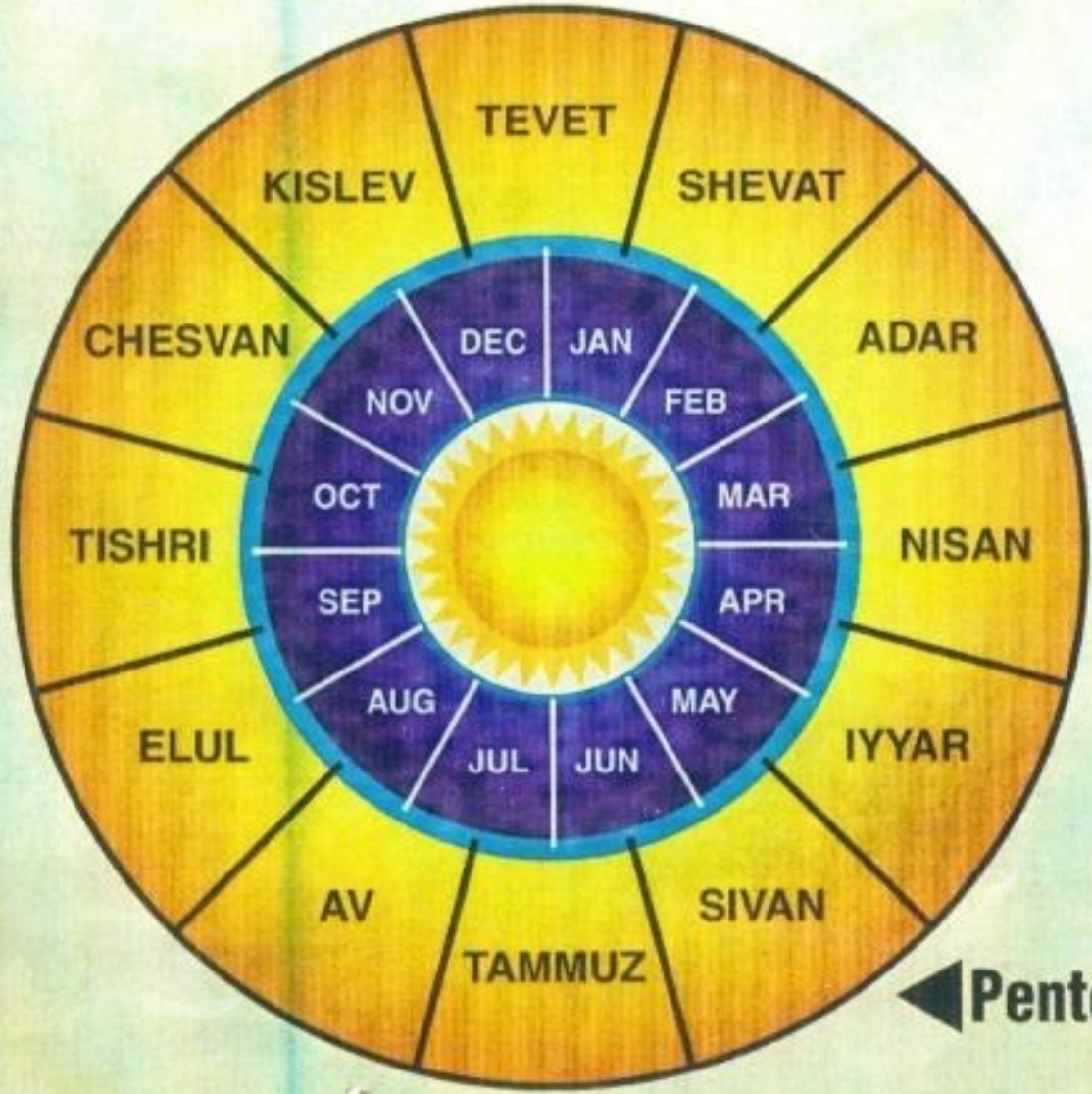
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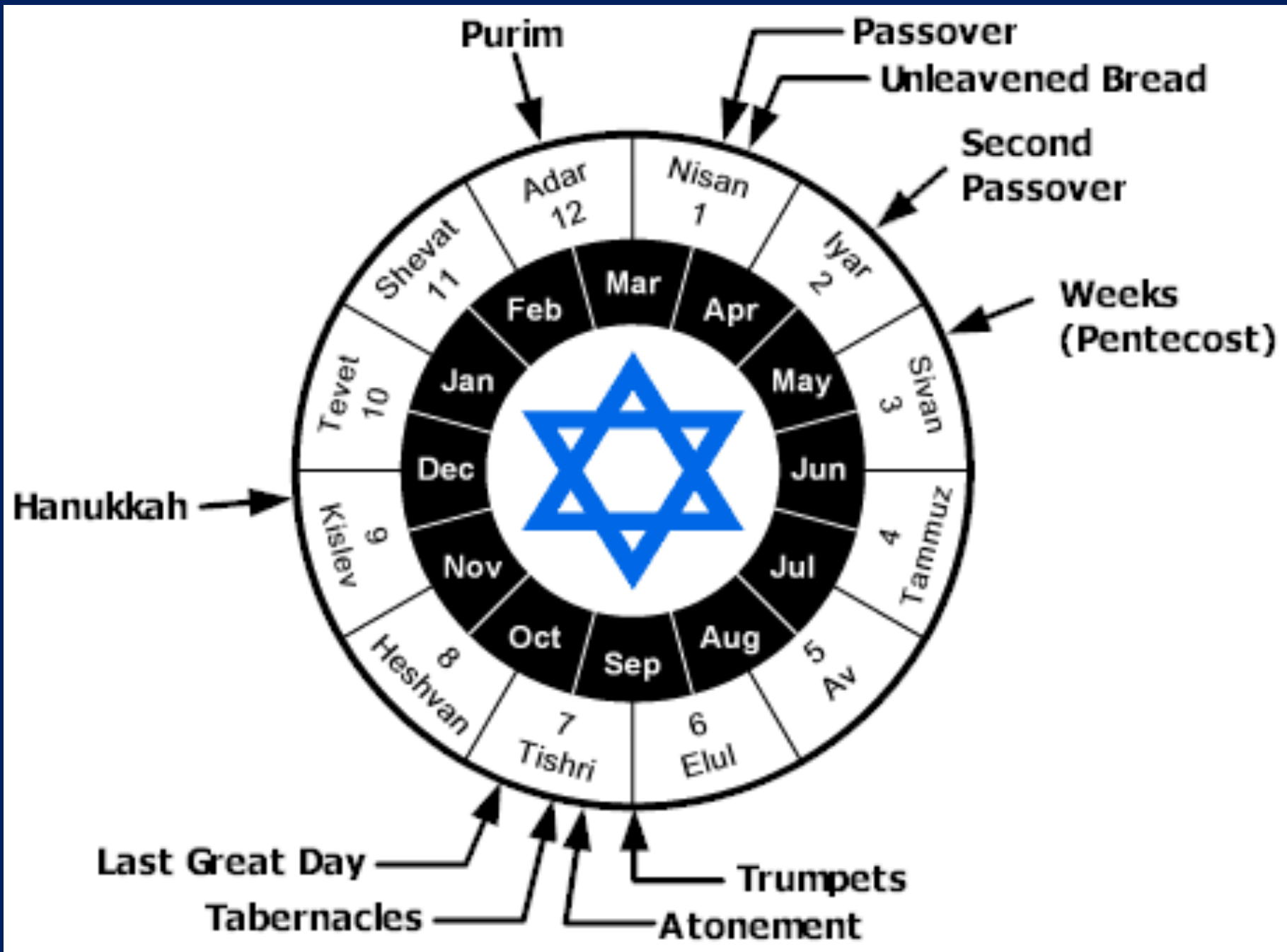
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**Tabernacles** ▶  
**Atonement** ▶  
**Trumpets** ▶

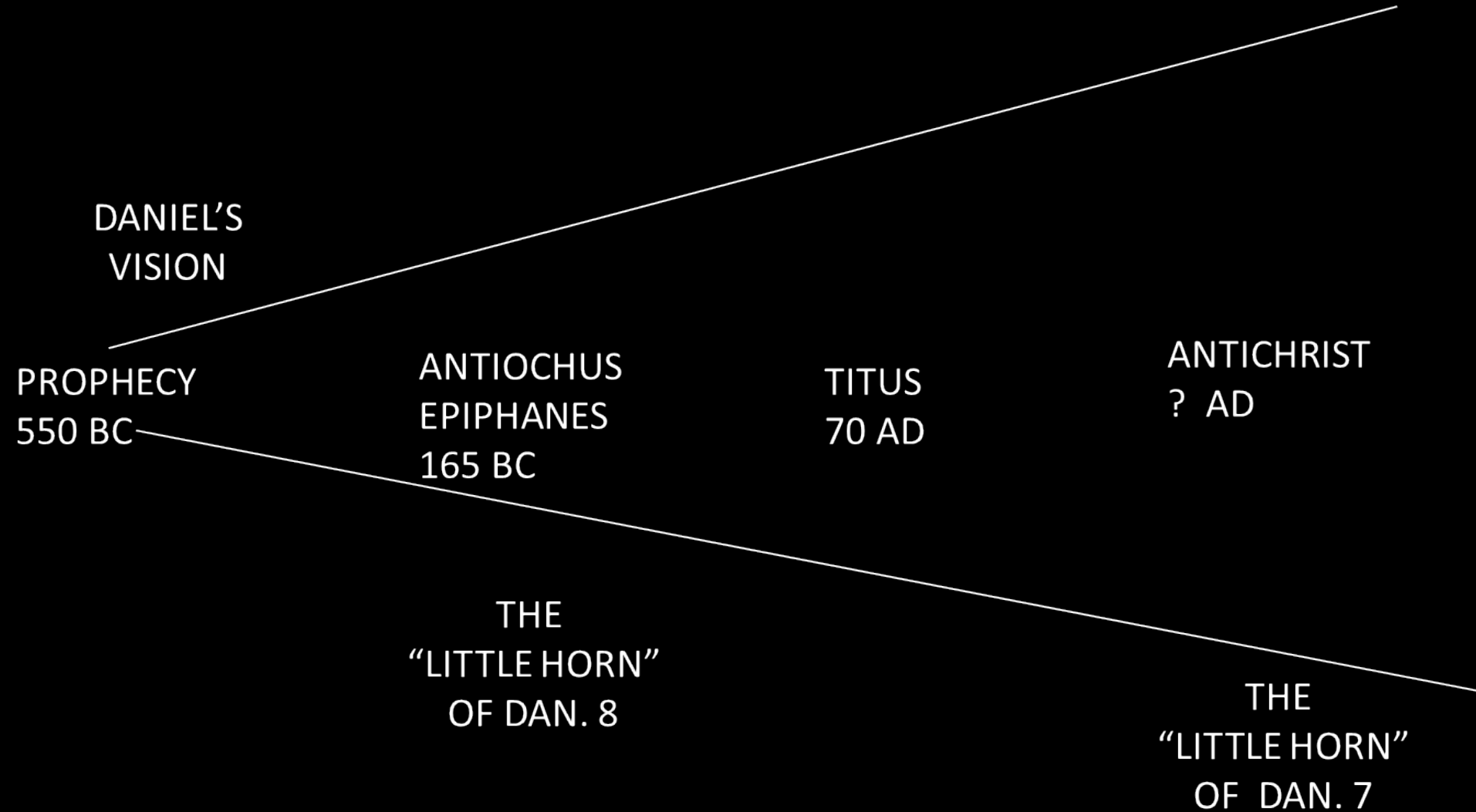
◀ **Passover**  
◀ **Unleavened Bread**  
◀ **Firstfruits**

◀ **Pentecost**





# Little Horn Slide



## Zechariah 12:10

“I will pour out on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the Spirit of grace and of supplication, so that they will look on Me whom they have pierced; and they will mourn for Him, as one mourns for an only son, and they will weep bitterly over Him like the bitter weeping over a firstborn.”



## Romans 11:25-26

“<sup>25</sup> For I do not want you, brethren, to be uninformed of this mystery—so that you will not be wise in your own estimation—that a partial hardening has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in;<sup>26</sup> and so all Israel will be saved; just as it is written, ‘The Deliverer will come from Zion, He will remove ungodliness from Jacob.’”



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